



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2876
Docket No.: 826.1452**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CHARGING USING DATA CARRIER

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 116

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 7, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on August 7, 2003. A Petition for a three-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to November 7, 2003.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

Entry of these Rule 116 Amendments is requested because the amendments were not earlier presented because the Applicant believes, in good faith, that the cited prior art did not disclose the present invention as previously claimed.

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